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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for National Foreign Assessment

FROM: Leslie C. Dirks  
Deputy Director for Science and Technology

SUBJECT: Your Memo of 24 August 1979 on Access to Soviet Vernacular Publications--NFAC No. 4274179 [ ]

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1. Your concern over FBIS's personnel needs to process Soviet vernacular languages is appreciated. FBIS has been able to hire linguists who can sample Georgian, Uzbek, Lithuanian and Tadzic sources, either as staffers or on contract. It is continuing to recruit for such linguists in this country and abroad, chiefly in [ ] and at its new bureau in [ ]

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2. These extra staffing demands will, however, cause problems for FBIS and for the DDS&T. FBIS is currently covering position needs for [ ] bureau, for example, with slots borrowed internally from elsewhere. Through FY 1981 it has no extra positions to accommodate new permanent requirements for Soviet vernaculars. When the Soviet Nationalities Working Group provides a more accurate assessment of the ultimate workload involved and the permanent staffing picture can be clarified, we will need NFAC and Comptroller support to obtain whatever positions are involved. [ ]

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